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IMPORTANT MATTERS TAKEN UP BY COUNCIL

Retaining Wall and Bond Issue Are Discussed

ORDINANCE IS PASSED

"Desire" For $75,000 Plain After One More Reading of Proposed Statute

Owing to the fact that there was not a full attendance of members at council Wednesday night only two matters of importance were considered. A petition from a number of the property owners on the west side of Lincoln avenue asking that a 30-inch retaining wall be built in place of the ordinary curb was presented to council. The property owners agreed to pay for the additional wall and waive all damages that arise therefrom. The petition and agreement was accepted by council, and the contractor ordered to so build the wall.

The desire ordinance for the proposed bond issue of $75,000 passed the second reading. This ordinance will probably be passed at the meeting of council tomorrow night. If this ordinance is passed another ordinance will have to be passed by council authorizing a bond issue election for $75,000. Then voters of the borough will be allowed to express their preference for or against the bond issue.

EAST PIKE RUN SCHOOL TROUBLE A PUBLIC AFFAIR

A crisis seems to be near in the troubles existing between the members of the school board of East Pike Run township the directors have organized themselves into a board of "dictators" who conduct affairs to suit themselves, ignoring the intent of the school code, the law governing the reverting of an abandoned school property to the former owner and generally the wishes of the taxpayers.

The two most prominent actions of the board that have caused it to be severely censured are the election of J. Quay Billingsley as "superintendent of supplies and truant officer," and the policy pursued with regard to a vacated school house which was reclaimed by the former owner.

RACES AT BELLE VERNON ARE POSTPONED WEDNESDAY BECAUSE OF HEAVY TRACK

Rain caused a postponement of the races of the Belle Vernon Driving Park association at Belle Vernon Wednesday but preparations were made then to have races each of the remaining days of this week. Good programs have been arranged. There are 115 head of horses quartered at the Belle Vernon stables, including some with records. In Charleroi and Belle Vernon lovers of horse flesh have been congregating since Tuesday for the races.

Bring the family and come to the Star. Just 5 cents. tf

Still Wears An 1875 Suit

Visitor to Brownsville Complains That Ancient Toggery Shows Signs of Wear

Indicating that clothing of the early seventies was vastly superior in quality to the present day toggery, a man entered the store of H. H. Hormell, at Brownsville one day recently and shocked that merchant by exhibiting a suit purchased in 1875. He was rather proud of its up-to-date appearance but complained that it had begun to show the effects of wear. The man, whose name was not learned, stated that he had been wearing the suit much and that it was only within the last two or three years—the lifetime of the present day duds—that it had developed a shininess.

PLEA OF GUILT IS ENTERED

Ohio Man Admits He Sold Liquor Illegally in This County

ARRESTED RECENTLY

D. H. Green, a wholesale liquor dealer of Mingo, Ohio, has learned that Washington county is not a profitable place for him to ply his trade. Wednesday he entered a formal plea of guilty to the charge of selling liquor without license. Sentence was suspended until the November term, the defendant renewing his recognizance until that time.

Green was arrested on July 30, at Burgettstown by Detective J. H. Milsted. Information had been made before Justice J. F. Carmichael on July 29. District Attorney Miller, having learned that Green would likely be in Burgettstown the next day. He was arrested as he got off the train there.

Green, it is said, has sold much liquor in the northern part of the county with booze. It is said that on the day before Memorial day he shipped 13 car loads to that section. On the day before the Fourth of July nine or ten car loads, it is said, came from Green's place of business. The shipments averaged, it is understood, about eight car loads a week and one week the shipment ran up to 14 car loads.

Several agents acting for Green have been arrested for violating the liquor laws and some have entered pleas of guilty and are now serving their sentence. Green operated in the face of the fact that Pittsburg wholesalers had been driven from the county, after they had been arrested, had entered pleas and had paid several thousand dollars in fines into the county treasury.

NO CHRISTMAS TOYS; OTHER THINGS WRONG

War Abroad May Affect Operations of Santa Claus---Plumbing to Come High Because of Doubling in Price of Soldier

Not only has father been compelled to put away his automobile, mother forced to cut out her tea parties, sister Ann to cancel her plans for a Paris fall gown and brother Tom to sell his bicycle, but the baby of the family is threatened with a lack of Christmas toys while the whole family will have to turn in and do their own plumbing this winter, all on account of the war.

Automobile tires and all kinds of supplies are so high in price that for an ordinary man to think of buying them indicates him to be a fit subject for a lunacy examination. But that is not all. There promises to be an entire lack of "Made in Germany" toys or any other kind of playthings from the Santa Claus shops abroad.

Recently a toy salesman arrived in Charleroi having as his luggage ten large trunks filled with samples of toys. He was at once confronted with a telegraphic order from his firm to return home—there was nothing doing in the toy line. The message simply signified that owing to the war abroad foreign-made toys would not be supplied this winter. All toys and playthings for the winter trade this year, unless there is a cessation of European hostilities very soon, will be home made.

Solder, one of the most used products in plumbing has doubled in price according to information given by a Monongahela valley plumber. He says that solder is received mostly from Austria. There is a lack of a sufficient supply on hands and like everything else, the price on it has aeroplaned. This naturally enough may be expected to increase the cost of plumbing whether it is done by the house owner with his own tools, or whether the usual method of hiring a plumber is followed.

MONESSEN A QUEER PLACE FOR THIEVING

When it comes to robberies of the peculiar sort, Monessen is right to the front with two incidents of this sort which took place a few days ago. Friday afternoon while men were at work in the balcony of the St. Paul's Lutheran church on Eighth street three little girls noticing the door of the edifice open entered and after ransacking a number of cases carried off two baskets of bibles, prayer books and hymrals.

A passerby noticing their actions followed the youthful thieves until they entered a house in the alley between Donner avenue and Schoonmaker between Eighth and Ninth street. He at once caught two of the girls and they confessed to their guilt and brought out the books. A third girl was caught on her way home and she turned over a number of bibles, two of which were very expensive.

R. S. Kelly noticed several women in his back yard and in a few moments he saw them carry off several lids from rough boxes. The police happened to be in the alley and a hasty return was made of the lids.

ENTERTAINS AT 500 IN HONOR OF BRIDE-ELECT

Wednesday afternoon at her home on McKean avenue, Mrs. J. G. Albright gave a smartly appointed 500 party in honor to Miss Adele Heupel, whose marriage to Karl Schempp of Donora will take place next week. Decorations were carried out in pink, the color scheme being used too in the refreshments, while the cards bore tiny "Kewpie" brides. Pink roses were given as favors. Favors were given to Mrs. Claude Jenkins and Mrs. Harry Mann. The honor guest was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, one of them being a handsome round trivet from the Thursday club.

Star Theatre.

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WOMAN FLEES WHEN ARREST IS PROMISED

Two rather unusual features attended a raid on supposed speakeasies at Arden Wednesday.

The first came in the arrest of a man who said his name was Christopher Columbus. Close question developed that this was an alias and that his real name was Enetta Antonolio, which discloses the reason for his assuming the name of the great discoverer.

Second was the escape of a woman who had been left in care of Constable H. K. Sarver, who according to eye witnesses "bounded down the track like a rabbit" with Constable Sarver in pursuit and made good her escape.

Three arrests were made in the raid at the mining town, which was conducted by District Attorney R. G. Miller. Joe Pontori and Chiara Greco, whose husband was killed in an accident at the mine in February were taken into custody charged with having sold liquor at one house. They furnished bail for a hearing before Justice of the Peace J. F. Carmichael at Washington Friday evening at 7 o'clock. Christopher was the remaining member of the trio and he secured bail for a hearing Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

At the house where the woman was placed under arrest about 10 cases of beer were found and the woman was left in Sarver's care while the others were brought to town. Going about the house doing chores she finally made her escape from the house and was too fleet for Sarver to catch after she got up full speed.

COLORED WOMAN DIES AT LOCAL HOSPITAL

Mrs. Al Mickey, aged 47 years colored, died at the Charleroi-Monessen hospital Wednesday night at 8:30 o'clock. Her husband Robert Mickey is living in Monessen. No funeral arrangements have been made as yet.

See the five pictures at Star Theatre Just 5 cents. Afternoon 1 to 4:30; evening 6 to 10:45. tf

POWER QUESTION STILL HINDERS TROLLEY LINE

Rain Not Sufficient

Downpour is Good For Farms But Shipping Stage Fails to Materialize

Although the rainfall for the last five days totaled 2.21 inches there has been little change in the river. The ground was so dry from the long drought that the moisture was practically all taken up by the earth. It was hoped by rivermen that the rain would continue until the Ohio river would reach a shipping stage.

While the rain has saved the late vegetables and other farm products from being completely burned up by the drought, it has not helped the coal miner who is out of employment.

SUIT IS FILED BY ENGINEER

Surveyor Thinks Trolley Company at Monongahela Should Pay Him

RELATES HIS STORY

A suit has been filed by James Bryan, a mechanical and electrical engineer of Pittsburg, against the Monongahela, Ellsworth and Washington Street Railway company to recover the sum of $8,000, which is claimed for alleged breach of contract on the part of the defendant company.

The plaintiff avers that under a certain agreement with the defendant company he was employed to do the preliminary engineering for a line to be built by the company from Monongahela to Ellsworth, for the sum of $2,000. This engineering was to consist of all necessary surveys, to obtain the best and most economical route and was to include all plans for masonry, bridges, cross sections, etc. In the event of the construction of said line, the plaintiff says, he was to receive $18,000.

Further, it is averred the proposition provided that if the plaintiff agreed to do all the work for the construction of three miles of the company's line from Monongahela City, he was to receive 5 per cent of the cost. It is set forth that he entered upon his duties under this agreement performing the services in the construction of the three miles of said road, and that there is due him the sum stated.

BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING AT NORTH CHARLEROI

The Adult Bible class of North Charleroi will meet tomorrow night at the North Charleroi school building at 8 o'clock. A general invitation has been extended. The Bible school is conducted as a union service.

Bentleyville Service to be Tried Sunday With Small Cars

AWAITING MACHINERY

Electrical Company Ask Four Days After Its Arrival for Installation

The first attempt at regular service and the only attempt until more electric power is available on the Charleroi-Bentleyville line of the Westside Electric Street Railway company, will be made on Sunday to accommodate visitors to the Bentleyville campmeeting. Half hour service will be maintained on that day but only the smaller cars will be operated. There will be no continuance of the service through the week days of next week, excepting in the event that power arrangements are perfected.

The question of electric power has held up the opening of the Bentleyville line for weeks. The West Penn Electric company, which holds a five year contract with the Westside company were to have had the power ready last spring. Matters pertaining to rights-of-way bothered them to begin with. Then there has been trouble since in getting machinery in place.

At the present time the West Penn people are awaiting the arrival of their generator for the power station to be located near Weaver. It is expected at any time. Four days are all that will be needed, it is stated, for its installation.

August 18 has been set as a possible time for the turning in of electricity, but there appears to be some question as to this date on account of former delays. Probably it would be safe to predict the opening of the new line within two weeks if the generator arrives within the course of two or three days.

RURAL CARRIERS KICK AT SYSTEM OF PAY PROPOSED

Washington county rural mail carriers have sent resolutions to Congressman H. W. Temple, the house committee on resolutions and the postmaster general, objecting to the new law affecting the salaries of the rural carriers. They state that the carrier who has a standard route—25 miles—should not be overlooked and no discrimination should be made in granting increases.

RINGGOLD HISTORY NOT TO BE READY BY REUNION TIME

It is not expected that the history of the Ringgold battalion that was being prepared by William Elwood, a survivor, will be ready in time for the annual reunion of the battalion in Charleroi August 20 and 21. Mr. Elwood has been in ill health, having two physicians in attendance, and has been compelled to relinquish his work.

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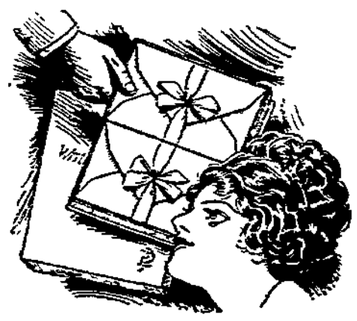

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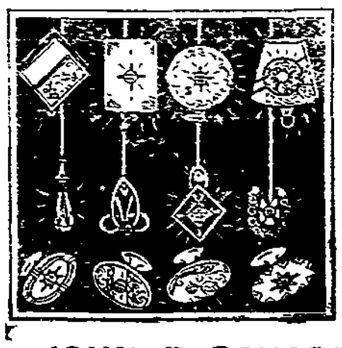

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UPHOLDING THE CENSORS.

In refusing an injunction against the state board of motion picture censors the common pleas court has not granted the power to that board to destroy the business of the film manufacturers. It has merely given the board the legal power of the state to censor the morals of the public, says the Philadelphia Press. This principle is sound and just; but it does not answer the more pertinent criticism that has been directed against the new censorship law.

It has been pointed out that it would be physically impossible for the two censors to examine every film manufactured in the state without consciously delaying their production and causing great inconvenience and expense to the manufacturers. The court declined to go into this phase of the case because the plaintiffs had never complied with the law and their objections to it were purely theoretical. Yet many film manufacturers have complied and are daily complying with the law. Whether the limited yet rigorous provisions of the law are valid as concerning these manufacturers is a question the courts have yet to determine.

Pennsylvania is the fourth state to establish a moving picture censorship. There is a bill now before congress at present providing for the establishment of a National Board of Censors. These laws do not create the presumption that the previous product of the film manufacturers were anything else than moral and proper. The need for censorship has grown out of the tremendous development of the moving picture industry as much as the infrequent production of an objectionable film. The far-reaching effect of the moving picture, its growing importance and the young and impressionable audiences it attracts have made necessary the precautions to maintain it at a high moral tone. But the very magnitude of the moving picture business makes it equally imperative that no system of censorship shall be so restricting as to hamper its progress or inhibit its growth.

BASEBALL FOR CRIMINALS

Penologists have never given much thought to baseball as reformative agency. But the Ohio penitentiary seems to have proved its efficiency in that direction. The prison has a scrapping good amateur team—so good that it has played a professional league team without humiliation, remarks the Punxsutawney Spirit.

The penitentiary population has the baseball fever. And the men don't get all their enjoyment by proxy, either, after the manner of the common fan; they themselves play. In their out-door recreation hours. The play with as much gusto as any crowd of back-lot youngsters. And to look at them, nobody would know they were convicts. They do not wear the barbarous stripes of the old prison days, nor do they wear the conventional "prison pollen." Therefore, when in the open have done away with the prison stench, too, and the air is fresh and pure.

It is wonderful what the outdoor life seems to do for these men. Convicts who were wasting away from cell confinement grow strong and healthy in the fields. And they produce truck-loads of food products, reducing the cost of their keep. They are better behaved. They regain a wholesome outlook on life, or possibly develop one, if they never had it. Men in for life act as foremen and superintendents. Few abuse their freedom—last year but 4 per cent of those out without guards, ran away.

Baseball seems to be the ultimate expression of this new, natural, penal method which accomplishes more in real reform—and therefore in the real protection of society—than the old system of cells and stripes and lockstep.

PICKED UP IN PASSING

Pittsburg is making rapid progress in the matter of smoke abatement. Mayor Magee has issued a proclamation calling for the observance of the ordinance on the part of the citizens. Some of the boroughs are also taking the matter up and it is expected that it will be cheaper to burn your own coal after the start, without. However there is considerable kicking here by the citizens of the smoky part of the city, with especially the intent to make it unbearable for those who have to live in the district.

Dr. [illegible] was protesting emphatically when the burly man stepped up and interrupted his progress. "Don't be afraid to bring me your subscription," said the burly man, pulling out his pocketbook. "I'm not afraid," retorted Dr. Kirkham.

The pocketbook was opened. The man looked coldly at Mr. Kirkham. "Did you hear what you walked?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," answered Dr. Kirkham.

The highwayman pocketed his pocketbook and left. Mr. Kirkham's pockets were made to yield their treasure. It amounted to about 15 cents.

"Is that all the money you have?" asked the unknown.

"It is," answered Dr. Kirkham.

The highwayman pocketed them. He looked coldly at Mr. Kirkham. "Did you limp when you walked?" he asked.

"Yes, sir," said Mr. Kirkham, believing in the efficacy of politeness. "Yes, sir, I have a corn."

"You poor devil!" the highwayman sympathized. "Here have I. Here's a nickel so you can ride home."

And as the highwayman walked off Mr. Kirkham noticed that he favored his left foot. "A corn probably," he mused and then his own corn set up its ache and he hurried thankfully to the car line.

A bright young Yale man whom necessity drove into a new line of work, says "Gilard" in the Philadelphia Public Ledger, gives voice to this thought:

"The man who says it can't be done is frequently interrupted by somebody already doing it."

"It can't be done," said the ancient sailor when the Great Eastern floated out upon the sea dwarfing all other ships. Her failure didn't prevent other steamers which now make this first unwieldy monster look trivial.

"It can't be done," said military critics as Japan's thousands perished on the slopes trying to capture Port Arthur's forts; but it was done.

"It can't be done," exclaimed all the Indians when Tarleton Stevens said every boy and girl in Pennsylvania should have a free school education.

"It can't be done," sailed every skeptic as Jenner proclaimed a shield against smallpox, when Pasteur said he had found a way to prevent hydrophobia, when Major Reed in Cuba declared he had found a way to annihilate yellow fever.

"It can't be done" was the general cry as electric railroads came into cities, when gas plants were started 50 years ago, when Thomas Carnlee brought the telephone to Philadelphia and when scientists insisted that Filtration of the water would save thousands of Philadelphia lives.

Always are battles lost and the "I can'ts" and the "I wills" but victory rarely ever deserts the latter host.

ELECTRIC SPARKS

What's the use of having war [illegible] it seems real.

[illegible] spring poetry.

Perhaps if the United States should speak in Chinese those Europeans would know what is meant by mediation.

As men grow older they get more sense and prove it by doing foolish things they wouldn't think of doing as youngsters.

Going to jail won't be such an enjoyable pastime for weary folk when they have to work on roads.

Wonder if the war will affect the price of a shave.

BENTLEYVILLE

[illegible] the Methodist Episcopal church. The Sunday school will be held as usual. It is planned by the Epworth League society to hold a rally [illegible] September and Sunday [illegible] at the present W. L. [illegible] appointed the president, Don [illegible] leader for the evening. [illegible] will be produced. The town league now has a membership of 70.

Miss Dorothy who is employed in the candy section, Monongahela, and J. Frank Patterson of Donora were visitors at the Junior Band in the evening.

Mrs. [illegible] Miss Grace [illegible] Miss Hilda [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Mrs. [illegible] Mrs.

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BENTLEYVILLE TO BE SCENE OF EIGHTY-FIFTH REGIMENT REUNION

Committees Appointed to Arrange For Big Affair to Take Place September 9 and 10 ---Program is Outlined

At a meeting, arrangements for the reunion of the 85th Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, to be held at Bentleyville, September 9 and 10 were made. The officers and committees are busy at work to make the reunion a banner one, and indications point to a most successful event. The people of Bentleyville and community are enthusiastic over the affair, and the "old boys" will be extended the royal glad hand. The following committees have been named:

Executive committee, Dr. E. E. French; secretary, Joseph H. Scott, C. K. Frye. Dr. W. M. Bigger, Hudson C. Crouch, W. F. Richardson.

Publicity committee. Don P. Hawkins, Beallsville; chairman: Samuel House, Jr., U. Grant Robinson.

Reception committee, S. B. Crouch, chairman; Walter Mitchell, H. L. Hetherington, W. B. Brush, W. J. Wilson, Thomas C. Frye, Dr. A. N. Booth, the Rev. A. Stewart Wahl, Rev. L. Z. Robinson, William Johnson. Thos. H. Tudor. J. Edward Hackett. J. H. Sprowls.

Decorating committee, Harry R. Breniser. chairman; Clifford S. Patterson, Herbert H. Hertzog, Samuel S. Sidle, Stanley F. Caldwell. W. W. Hartman, John A. Gilmore.

Entertainment committee, Emory C. Snyder, chairman; James Stevenson. William Greenlee, Leonard E. Sands, Dr. W. Robert Robinson, Lester Sprowls. William J. Sperling.

Finance committee. Rev. J. A. Craig. J. Wilbert Huffman. L. E. Eckburn, U. Grant Amos, Harry McLain.

Transportation committee. Joseph A. Newlon. chairman; J. B. Galloway. O. M. Frye. Thomas A. Hetherington. F. P. Watson, Charles B. Myers. Geo. Haberlin, W. A. Gibson, Bentley J. Duvall. William R. Stephens. J. Elliott Richardson. Walter H. Mitchell, J. W. Piersol, I. B. Richardson, Dr. Emmett H. Black, John Mitchell, Robert A. Johnston, Seth D. Allman. Clyde Myers, Carl Myers, W. H. Wherry, C. M. Shank.

Instrumental music committee, Thomas White, chairman; Henry Johnson, Arthur Tunnecliff, J. A. Wright, William J. Crawford, G. T. Tinley, H. L. Bush.

Vocal music committee, John N. Snyder, chairman; Winfield F. Richardson, Abraham H. Bigler. Robert H. Jenkins. George Mills.

The address of welcome will be made Wednesday by Prof. Walter Mitchell at Bentleyville Opera House, followed by response. A business meeting will be held at 2 o'clock. and at 4:30 a parade of veterans, citizens and school children will be a feature. At 7:30 a campfire will be held.

On Thursday. September 10. the veterans will be taken sightseeing. This will be the only feature of the day.

EUROPEAN CONFLICT STIMULATES SAVINGS OF FOREIGN PEOPLE

The European conflict has given an impetus to the postal savings system, according to the reports to Postmaster General Burleson from postmasters in all the large commercial centers. Scores of wage earners of foreign birth are taking their savings to the postoffices, thus releasing enormous sums for commercial purposes which would otherwise be hoarded. Many new accounts are being opened, and the number of withdrawals, already below normal, has diminished. During the last week in New York City, deposits have quadrupled daily while scores of other cities show gains.

Third Assistant Postmaster General Dockery received a telegram from a small Illinois city saying that Greeks in a railroad construction gang at that point wanted to deposit $36,000.

TRY A MAIL WANT AD

RE-CONSTRUCTION WORK ON THE NATIONAL PIKE BEING PUSHED

L. C. Bitzer, of Charleroi, in Charge of State Highway Work---News Jottings From Town of Beallsville

L. C. Bitzer of Charleroi, who is in charge of the State Highway work on the National pike. reports progress on the work. Work has been commenced in the Centerville section and also at the other end of the pike. near Glyde. About 50 men are employed at each site. and at Centerville twelve teams are also being used, in the road improvements. Stone has not been arriving as fast as it should and has been keeping the work back somewhat. It is planned to make the improvements as fast as possible.

Beallsville borough has not yet received a reply from the State Highway Department in regard to the bricking of Main street. Council at a recent meeting passed a resolution to that effect and the necessary papers were forwarded to the department. Since council made this decision comment as to how the borough might pay its share on the work has been heard on all sides. Some citizens are of the opinion that bonding the borough would be the proper thing, so that coming generations which will share the benefits might also share in the expense. Others believe the money should be borrowed by the borough and paid back as soon as possible. It is understood that the State Highway Department will. for its share of the work. brick a street 16 feet wide. Council has not yet decided as to the width it will have the street bricked. although 24 or 26 feet seems to be widths most talked of. If the state will brick 16 feet of this width, the balance for the borough will not amount to a great deal.

Mr. and Mrs. Riley Anderson were visitors to friends at Fredericktown

Glenn Myers of Strabane is here employed as a timekeeper on the National Pike improvements.

Mrs. Loren Lash has returned from a visit with friends at Brownsville.

Miss Mollie Craven of the J. J. Porter company, Pittsburg. returned Sunday after spending a two week's vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. James A. Craven.

Miss Bernice Ullom of Centerville is visiting Miss Margaret Doyle.

Ralph, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred N. Power is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mansfield and daughter of Washington visited Miss Edna Hawkins Tuesday. They were enroute to Cumberland, Md., where they expect to spend two weeks camping.

Miss Jean Snyder returned from Pittsburg Monday.

Isaac T. Blair was at Millsboro yesterday on business. Mrs. Elizabeth Arnold of that place who spent some time here with Mr. and Mrs. Blair. accompanied him.

Mrs. John Labin of California. who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Dawson, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bishop. will go to the Bentleyville camp grounds, Thursday to spend some time.

Mrs. Margaret Anderson of Charleroi who has been ill at the I. T. Blair home is much improved and it is thought will be able to be taken home this week. Her daughter, Mrs. Charles R. Trew of Charleroi is here caring for her.

Mrs. George L. Mitchell and son. Ross were visitors, yesterday at Charleroi.

E. S. Frederick and son, Alva were business callers at Washington yesterday.

Miss Florence Walton, after spending a few weeks here with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Walton, returned to Homestead Wednesday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Pennington and son of Pittsburg after a visit at Carmichaels are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Linton.

Mrs. Ella Klings who has been spending some time in West Pike Run township is spending several months with Mrs. Rachel M. Odbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen A Young and children of near Clarksville, were guests Sunday of Mr. Young's brother, I. Newton Young and family of Beallsville.

Don M. Allen of Donora: C. B. Troutman, Sidney Troutman. Dr. J. H. Finley of Finleyville were visitors at Beallsville Monday.

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VALUE OF PROPER SPELLING

Attribute Highly Valued in Commercial Life, and Is a Sense to Be Developed.

Good spelling and intelligent punctuation are the accomplishments that keep many gray-haired women drawing good salaries as stenographers in downtown offices. The manager of a typewriting office from which are sent hundreds of stenographers makes no secret of the fact that good spellers are scarce.

"We had a customer come in the other day," said the manager, "who had evidently had a run of hard luck in the spelling line. He wanted a woman who could spell. 'No matter if she's cross-eyed and has a hunch on her back,' he said, 'if she can spell and write an intelligent letter.' While this was a rather extreme case it shows that employers are beginning to grow impatient over the careless spelling of today."

Another office sending out many stenographers has a series of test letters prepared especially with spelling catches for the unwary. Common words, famous as pitfalls for careless spellers, are strewn throughout these specimen letters. Fully half the applicants put an extra e in separate; in many cases the e before the last syllable in noticeable is missing, while the correct placing of the i's in the word parallel reduces many of the applicants to a state of discouragement.

"Good spelling is a pretty sure sign of mental alertness," said a business man with several offices and many stenographers. "I find that if one of our stenographers is naturally a good speller she is interested in the correct spelling and use of new words that come to her attention in reading or in dictation. Now as a matter of fact it is no small job to keep up with the spelling of the hundreds of new words.

"Our oldest stenographer and our best speller keeps on her desk a little book not more than an inch thick, but it has more first aids to poor spellers than anything I've ever seen. She doesn't use it much, but everybody else does."—Chicago Record-Herald.

UNDERSTOOD ALL THE REST

On Only One Comparatively Unimportant Point Was the Juror at Fault.

It quite often happens that in addressing a jury, the lawyers will deliver their appeals to the one member who seems to them the most intelligent. They consider that by so doing they can impress him and his influence upon the other members will be valuable.

In a recent case, all the testimony had been taken, the lawyers had summed up and the judge had charged the jury, when the juror who appeared the most intelligent, and to whom both counsel had made their impassioned appeal, arose, and stated that he wished the court to give him some information.

"I have been bothered a great deal," he said, "about two words the lawyers have been using all the time."

"What are they?" asked the court, expecting to be called upon to explain the meaning of some words like "res inter alios acta."

"Why the words that I don't know the meaning of," said the juror, "are 'plaintiff' and 'defendant.'"—Exchange.

An Improving World.

A somewhat old-fashioned Bostonian who more than a score of years ago was very prominent in public life remarked recently: "I have observed with interest quite a change in the personal habits of men during the past 25 years. It used to be very common to see business and professional men, as well as those in public life and holding official positions, wearing silk hats and Prince Albert coats every day in the week, and if they smoked at all they smoked cigars. Nowadays silk hats are rarely seen on week days downtown, anyway, and cigarette smoking seems to be quite the thing. I do not think the new fashion is quite so dignified or manly as the old, but on the whole I am convinced the world is growing better all the time."

Horse's Tobacco Habit Is Expensive.

A Beverly teamster is lamenting the fact that his horse has acquired the tobacco habit and he is wondering if his employer would "stand for" an expense account.

The horse, which started in one the habit by taking an occasional nibble of "fine cut," now expects a plug a day and the driver says the animal will "loaf on the job" unless he receives that allowance.

The habit has become an expensive one for the driver, and he declares it has reached a point where he must do one of two things, quit using tobacco himself or get "the boss" to advance money for the horse's share —Boston Post.

"Rabbit Drives" Advocated.

The western farmer dislikes the coyote, and a bounty is offered for its pelt; the result is that the coyotes have greatly diminished. But, says the Portland Oregonian, the killing of the coyotes has resulted in a great increase of rabbits, many experiments have been made to diminish their number by inoculating them with disease, but without satisfactory results. Rabbit "drives" are the only sure remedy; 16,000 jack rabbits were killed in one county in Oregon in this way last winter.

MADE THE WORLD BRIGHTER

Music Lovers Everywhere Acknowledge the Debt They Owe Felix Mendelssohn.

What musician does not love the name of Felix Mendelssohn? Those fortunate enough to hear symphonies and oratorios have revelled in the beauties of his greater works such as The Scotch Symphony, "A Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage," the Fingal's Cave, and other overtures, St. Paul and the Elijah, which is so dramatic, it has lately been given with stage settings. The music to Midsummer Night's Dream makes Shakespeare's fairy comedy even more enjoyable than before. We realize more fully the lightsome grace of tiny elves, the merry jests of Puck, and above all, the happy union of Oberon and Titania. Their Wedding March voices the note of joy at how many a nuptial gathering, from those held in stately cathedrals with crowned heads attending, to those taking place in some remote village chapel where simple villagers form the bridal procession.

Many a woman's chafed spirit finds relief in playing those gems for the piano called Songs Without Words.

Mendelssohn's father, having embraced Christianity, desired Felix to add his mother's name Bartholdy to his own decidedly Jewish appellation. The full signature, Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy appears after some compositions, but Mendelssohn, the Musician, belongs neither to Judaism nor to Christianity, but to the whole happy world of music lovers.

SHRINE TO BRING BUFFALO

Ancient Indian Ceremonial in Times of Drought and Famine Now in Philadelphia.

No longer fulfilling its ancient purpose of charm to provide large buffalo herds for the Indian of the plains there is on exhibition at the University of Pennsylvania museum a sacred shrine of the Hidatsa Indians, which has been added to the Heye collection of American ethnological objects. It is believed to be the only shrine of its nature ever erected by the Indians.

The shrine was set up in a large earthen-covered hut near the line between Montana and the Dakotas. It consists of four posts stuck into the ground on which rest two shelves. On the lower shelf is a very ancient buffalo skull resting in a bed of leaves from the pennyroyal plant. On the upper shelf are two human skulls painted red.

It was the custom of the natives to make gifts to the shrine whenever they wanted the gods to answer a prayer.—Philadelphia Dispatch to the New York Sun.

Doctors Lose by Telephone.

"Do you know," said the doctor apologetically to the patient waiting in his office," that this prescribing by 'phone is becoming a serious business for us doctors. Now, if I had no 'phone I would be called to the house and I would charge my regular fee for a visit. But if I attempted to charge for prescribing over the telephone I would be thought an extortionist. Yet there is no reason why I should not be paid for my advice over the telephone just as much as if I sat at the patient's bedside and prescribed. Take, for instance, a case which should be watched for three or four days. Instead I'm told, 'we'll call you, doctor, if there is any change.' And then proceed to call me over the telephone, give me the symptoms and ask what is to be done. Of course, there is no excuse for going to the patient's side after the telephone bulletin, unless there is a turn for the worse. So I'm cut right out of a fee for a visit. I believe that we physicians should get together and agree to charge a certain sum for prescribing over the telephone."

Artist and Parvenu.

Phil Morris, the eminent portrait painter, who died when his fame was at its height, had a very unpleasant experience whilst visiting a wealthy merchant who had commissioned him to paint his wife and baby for the sum of £700. The first evening Mr. Morris and his "employer" were discussing the "pose," and the artist, thinking that he had hit on a brilliant suggestion, said it would be effective if the child were lying on the hearthrug with just a vest on, and his mother leaning over, playing "This little pig went to market."

"How dare you, sir! Do you wish to insult me?" I've half a mind to countermand my order," roared the irate wealthy magnate. Poor Phil Morris couldn't think what harm he had done until a few days later he learned that his patron had made his money in "pork," and was known as the "bacon king."

Method of Spearing Fish.

In spite of the march of civilization, there remains much that is still primitive in Sicily, and a curious sight at Palermo is to see the fishermen spearing fish in the harbor by the aid of glass-bottomed buckets (says the Wide World Magazine). There are many corners of the world where fish are speared, but perhaps the use of the glass-bottomed bucket in this connection is to be seen only at Palermo. The fishermen lean far over the side of their boats, and hold the bucket on the water with one hand, poking their heads into it as if engaged in the Hallowe'en game of ducking for apples. They hold a spear poised in the free hand, and thus await the arrival of their victims, who are sighted through the glass bottom of the bucket, which acts as a kind of telescope.